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1. Transmittal - 1 page
2. Statement on Substance of Interview - 2 pages

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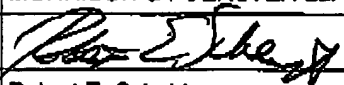
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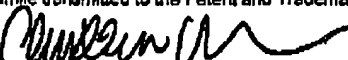
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Application No.: 10/618,237

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Art Unit: 2825

For: ANALOG INTEGRATED CIRCUIT LAYOUT  
DESIGN

Examiner: B. Bowers

**STATEMENT ON SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW**Mail Stop ISSUE FEE  
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Dear Sir:

This is in reply to the Interview Summary dated July 11, 2006, Paper No. 20060705, for which a reply is due on August 13, 2006. Accordingly, this reply is timely filed.

Applicants thank Examiner Bowers for calling to the Applicants' representative, Robert E. Scheid, by telephone on June 29, 2006, to discuss changes in the claims to put the present application in condition for allowance. No exhibits were presented, and no prior art was discussed.

The following amendments to claims 1 and 6 were discussed.

Claim 1, lines 10-11, replace "determining for each performance, device parameter pair, a ratio of changes of the values thereof," with --determining a ratio of changes of the values for each performance, device parameter pair, --.

Claim 1, line 17, after "first value" insert --as a difference--.

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Claim 1, line 20, replace "combining" with --multiplying--.

Claim 6, line 1, after "instructions" insert --for designing integrated circuits--.

Note that the Examiner used "therein" instead of "thereof" when quoting the original claim language in Claim 1, lines 10-11, in the Examiner's Amendment attached to the Notice of Allowance dated July 13, 2006.

Applicants' representative agreed to consider the proposed amendments, and in a subsequent telephone message Applicants' representative agreed to the proposed amendments.

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